

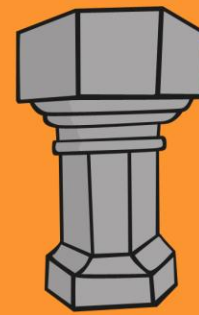
To understand who Christians are



Who are Christians?

- What makes a Christian?
- Why is the Bible important?
- What are the important Christian festivals?
- What are the significant Christian places?
- What is a pilgrimage?
- What are the significant Christian symbols?

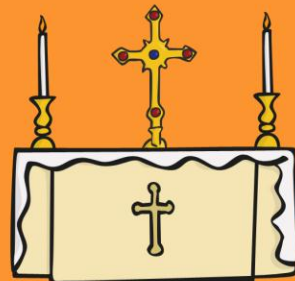
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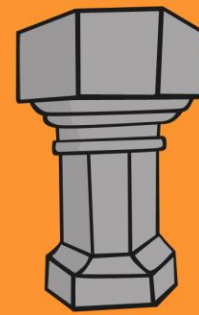


Christianity

People who follow Christianity are called Christians.

There are many different denominations of Christians, but they all believe in Jesus Christ.

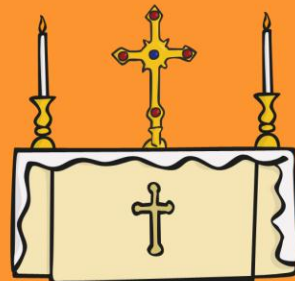




The Bible

The Bible is the Christians holy book. It is divided into two sections the old testament and the new testament.

The Bible is full of stories of different peoples lives and stories Jesus told as examples of how Christians should live their lives.

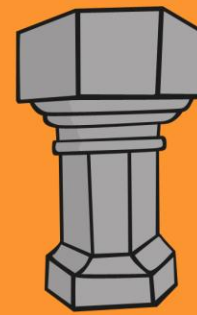


Holy Places

Christians worship in a church. They gather to sing, read the bible and learn more about Jesus.

Christians have special places all around the world for example Bethlehem where Jesus was born and Rome where the Pope lives.

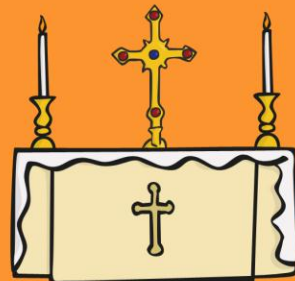




Symbols

The main symbol of Christianity is the cross. It reminds Christians that Jesus suffered and died for them to give them new life.

Water represents new life, the washing away of sins.



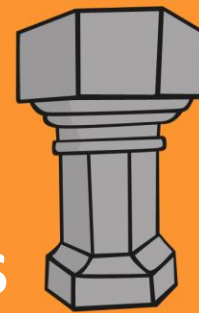
Festivals

Christians celebrate many festivals. The two most important are Christmas and Easter. Christmas is celebrating Jesus' Birth and Easter is celebrating the resurrection of Jesus after he died on the cross three days earlier.





Pilgrimages

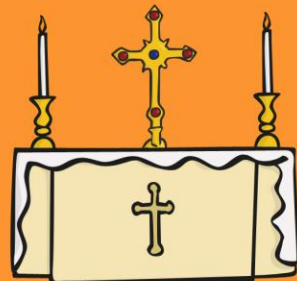
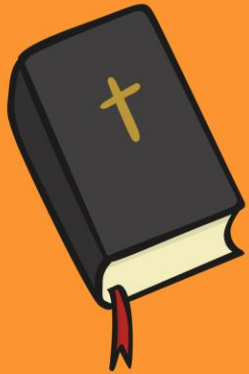


A pilgrimage is a journey or search of moral or spiritual significance.

There are a few different places that Christians go on Pilgrimage to; Fatima and Lourdes are two examples.

Lourdes is a place in France that the Virgin Mary, the mother of Jesus, blessed a young girl who was very sick. Many people travel here every year who are to be blessed and healed.

A vision of the Virgin Mary is also believed to have been witnessed by three shepherds at Fatima in 1917. Each year, thousands of people visit the statue of Our Lady of Fatima here, which stands within a chapel.





Answer the following questions in your book using complete sentences:



1. What are people who follow Christianity called?

2. Where do Christians worship?

3. Why are Bethlehem and Rome important to Christians?

4. What is the Christian holy book called? Write one fact about it.

5. There are different types of Christians but what makes them all Christians?

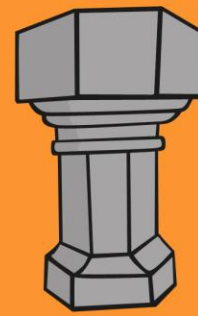
6. Name 2 symbols of Christianity and why they are symbolic.

7. What are the most important festivals for Christians?

8. What is a pilgrimage?

9. Name a place where Christians go on Pilgrimage and why it is a significant place.





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